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The affidavits submitted on 9/19/07 declare that applicant's invention was conceived prior to the priority date of the prior art reference. Applicant's statement of prior conception is based on a publication published as an article on January 26, 2003 with an English translated title "A study on attack considering key schedule against block ciphers." Further, in the Remarks, on pg. 11, last paragraph, applicants indicate that this article was submitted in the current amendment. However, this article is not on file. Since the reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH from the date of this notice to supply the above-mentioned omission.

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